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From: James Rokosch

Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 12:40 PM To: Planning; Commissioners Department Subject: FW: Elk Ridge Proposed Subdivision

For the record.

From: Jim Rokosch [mailto:jrokosch@cybernet1.com]

Sent: Friday, March 06, 2009 8:56 AM

To: James Rokosch

Subject: Fw: Elk Ridge Proposed Subdivision

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---- Original Message -----From: McGee, Beth To: rokie@cybernet1.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 3:57 PM Subject: Elk Ridge Proposed Subdivision

Hello Jim.

I would like to formally submit my request that this subdivision be denied. I live on Sapphire Ridge Road which is accessed from Granite Creek Road and am intimately aware of the lack of need for this growth. I request this for the following reasons:

- 1. The water supply in this area of the Bitterroot is not plentiful enough to sustain additional families. Within this area is the Red Quill Ranch which is advertising 1000 gal cisterns. This is tangible proof that the 8 Mile drainage has a limited water resource. One of my neighbors has had to redrill a well and another one has to have water trucks transport water to him each summer due to his 2 gal/min well.
- 2. Granite Creek road will not support additional traffic. This road is already extremely dangerous with a one lane dirt/mud/ice passage nestled between two large rocks disallowing expansion of the road. Additional traffic for 5 homes would further endanger the current residents.

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3. This area is home to a small developing herd of elk. Additional activity from 5 more homes would not provide an environment conducive to their continued growth. When I first moved to this area, a herd of 50-100 elk roamed this area. We have not seen them for several years and now this small herd is attempting to form.

You and I have duty to the citizens and the land to do what is right. Growth in this area should be halted to preserve what is struggling to exist. Specific to this request for a subdivision includes the concern for our safety.

Please feel free to share this with other council members.

Beth McGee 5440 Sapphire Ridge Road Florence, MT 59833

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